

REMARKS

Claims 1-5, 7-21 and 23-25 are in the application, of which claims 1, 11, 21, 23, 24 and 25 are the independent claims. Claims 6 and 22 were previously canceled without prejudice. Reconsideration and further examination are respectfully requested.

Claim Rejections – 35 USC § 102

Claims 1-5, 7-21 and 23-25 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102 by EP 0469709 A2 (Giokas). These rejections are respectfully traversed, and reconsideration and withdrawal of these rejections are respectfully requested.

The Office Action appears to state that Giokas' X client in FIG. 5 allegedly corresponds to a terminal that includes "a processor adapted to receive windowing information supplied by application programs executing on a remotely located application server" of claim 1 of the present application; Giokas' X server 530 of FIG. 5 allegedly corresponds to the server where the application programs reside; and Giokas' X client allegedly corresponds to the terminal that has "a display configured to display the windowing information supplied by the application programs executing on the server." Applicant respectfully disagrees.

Giokas discloses at most the following: X client 533 of FIG. 5 sends a request for graphics operation to X server 530. X server 530 then determines whether the request requires performance of window management functions. If the request requires window management functions, X server 530 submits the request to a window manager, WMCLIENT 540, which creates a window. The graphics operation is to be implemented on a display 520 coupled to a

host server 510. Display 520 is not part of X client 533. See Giokas, col. 7, ll. 23-25; col. 10, ll. 13-17; col. 11, ll. 40-55; claim 15; FIG. 5. See also claim 10 of attached EP 0469709 B1.

In Giokas, X client 533 does not receive windowing information supplied by application programs executing on X server 530. X client 533 does not have a display configured to display the windowing information supplied by the application programs executing on X server 530.

Accordingly, the applied reference is not understood to disclose the features of independent claim 1, which is believed to be in condition for allowance. Other independent claims 11, 21, 23, 24 and 25 are also believed to be allowable for at least similar reasons.

The other claims currently under consideration in the application are dependent from the independent claims discussed above and therefore are believed to be allowable over the applied references for at least the same reasons. Because each dependent claim is deemed to define an additional aspect of the invention, the individual consideration of each on its own merits is respectfully requested.

The absence of a reply to a specific rejection, issue, or comment does not signify agreement with or concession of that rejection, issue, or comment. In addition, because the arguments made above may not be exhaustive, there may be other reasons for patentability of any or all claims that have not been expressed. Finally, nothing in this paper should be construed as an intent to concede any issue with regard to any claim, except as specifically stated in this paper, and the amendment or cancellation of any claim does not necessarily signify concession of unpatentability of the claim prior to its amendment or cancellation.

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In view of the foregoing remarks, the entire application is believed to be in condition for allowance and such action is respectfully requested at the Examiner's earliest convenience.

Applicant's undersigned attorney may be contacted at the address and telephone number set forth below.

To the extent necessary, a petition for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 is hereby made. Please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, including extension of time fees, to Deposit Account 502203 and please credit any excess fees to such deposit account.

Respectfully submitted,

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